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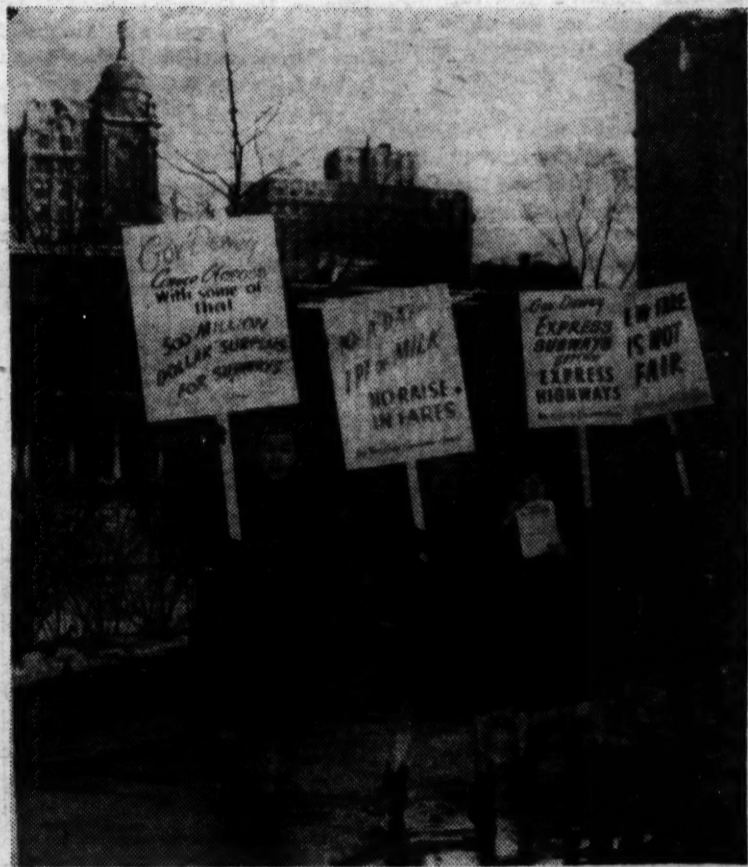
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WORLD EVENTS

British Doom Three Jews In Palestine

British authorities yesterday ordered virtual martial law clamped down on Jerusalem effective Thursday and sentenced three more underground members to death. The Jewish Agency and Jewish National Council rejected a seven-day ultimatum that they help suppress violence.

One of the four Jewish illegal immigrants wounded when British sailors subdued resistance among 650 refugees aboard the Negev off the Palestine coast Sunday died of his injuries.

Jewish leaders in Haifa announced that they had called on Haifa's 60,000 Jews to stage a general strike at 10 a.m. today to mark the refugee's funeral.

Those sentenced to death were Mordechai Alkushi, Dov Resenbaum and Haim Grobovsky.

A fourth, 17-year-old Eliezer Kashani, was "let off" with a life sentence because of his youth. All four were captured in a car with whips and guns on the night four British soldiers were flogged in retaliation for the flogging of an Argunist.

Beginning at noon Thursday 3,000 British civilians in Jerusalem will be restricted around the clock to a security zone of two square kilometers (.77 square mile) which they derisively named the "British

ghetto."

The Holy City's entire population of an estimated 170,000 persons will in turn be restricted to four major zones or cantons and will be forbidden to move from one zone to another except under armed guard. Everyone will be forced to carry an identity pass.

UN Spurns Condemned Greeks

Security Council Orders Balkan Group Not to Ask Reprieves

LAKE SUCCESS, Feb. 10.—The United Nations Security Council washed its hands today of Greek anti-Nazi prisoners condemned to die. The Council told its Balkan commission not to request reprieves for Greek political prisoners unless they could be wit-

Led by U. S. delegate Herschel Johnson, the Council rejected Soviet spokesman Gromyko's viewpoint that Greek anti-Nazis should not be hanged while the inquiry goes on.

"Heads should not fall" while the UN investigation into the Greek border dispute is on, Gromyko declared. Speaking in his usual deliberate, calm manner, the Soviet delegate could not conceal his feelings when he mentioned those

Greeks "condemned to death for defending ordinary human rights and liberties."

The Council decision was its answer to the Greek monarchist government complaint that the UN Balkan commission had intervened in internal Greek affairs when it sought reprieves for 14 Greek partisans. Three of the 14 guerillas were executed last Friday. Eleven were reprieved.

CABLE ANSWERS

A cablegram, incorporating the Council's answer to the Investigation Commission, stated:

"It is the sense of the Security Council that the Commission . . . is not empowered to request the appropriate authorities of Greece, Albania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia to postpone the execution of any persons sentenced to death unless the Commission has reason to believe that the examination of any such person as a witness would assist the Commission in its work, and makes its request on this ground."

Herschel Johnson argued against sanctioning the action of the Balkan Commission to hold up the Greek executions. Johnson said the Council could not tell if its own Commission was right or wrong. He refused to back up Mark Eithridge, the U. S. member of the Balkan inquiry commission, who participated in the request for reprieves.

Johnson also replied sarcastically to Gromyko, questioning whether the 11 reprieved prisoners "are or are not the heroes which Mr. Gromyko seems to think they are."

GROMYKO ABSTAINS

Gromyko and Polish representative Jerzy Michalowski abstained from voting on the Council resolution after the Polish and Russian

Italian Fascists Riot At Peace Signing

Twenty-five thousand Rome fascists, many of them students, rioted yesterday, protesting the signing of the Italian peace treaty. They broke into the Yugoslav Mission building, and smashed hundred of windows. Police stopped them from attacking the Soviet Embassy next.

Gathering first in Piazza Venezia, they ripped to shreds an American flag on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier and demonstrated in front of the building housing the Allied Rome Area command. Then they stoned the RAF headquarters.

nevertheless obliged to sign this treaty, is anxious to emphasize that the Yugoslav peoples accept this heavy sacrifice solely because at the present moment they do not wish to assume the responsibility of not doing their share in establishing peace between nations."

Peace Treaties Signed at Paris

World War II peace treaties with Italy, Romania, Hungary, Bulgaria and Finland were signed at the French Foreign Office yesterday. One of the most important provisions of the treaties calls for withdrawal of Allied occupation troops from the five countries within 90 days after the treaties are ratified. This means that the U. S. 88th Division will leave the Trieste area and Soviet troops will leave the Balkans.

A Yugoslav statement protested Yugoslavia's failure to obtain Venezia Giulia, Gorizia, Monfalcone, Trieste and part of northeast Istria as terms of the peace settlement with Italy.

"Yugoslavia finds itself having to sign a treaty which infringes elementary national interests of the Yugoslav peoples and painfully affects their feelings," the statement said.

"Profoundly disturbed at the fate of Yugoslavs who remain outside the frontiers of their country as the result of the obstinate failure of certain of its allies" to understand the rights and national interests of Yugoslavia, the government of the Federal Peoples Republic of Yugoslavia, feeling itself

DULLES ASKS BIG STICK AGAINST RUSSIA

By Ruby Cooper

CHICAGO, Feb. 10.—The United States "must maintain a strong military establishment and keep the will to use it if necessary," John Foster Dulles, Republican Party foreign policy strategist, told the Inland Daily Press Association today.

Introduced as Thomas Dewey's foreign policy advisor, Dulles briefed the assembled publishers on the bi-

partisan get-tough-with-Russia foreign policy.

American policies "face a serious challenge from the Soviet Union," Dulles declared, alleging the growing influence of Communist parties in Latin America, China and Europe as "proof" of Russian expansionist aims.

Forced to admit that "Soviet leadership does not want a war," Dulles declared "there is risk that we may provoke war by a retreat

which would cause Soviet leaders to push on recklessly."

Besides calling for maintaining a large U. S. military force, Dulles urged continued support for the reactionary Chiang Kai-shek Government in China.

Declaring that "we have the ideals, we have the know-how and we have the power," Dulles urged the editors to make the facts of the alleged "Soviet challenge" known to the American people.

Coal Shortage Blacks Out Britain

LONDON, Feb. 10.—A crisis of wartime proportions gripped England today with the enforcement of a sweeping government-ordered power cut. Thousands of factories and

millions of private consumers in homes and business establishments were blacked out.

Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee appealed in a national broadcast for the fullest cooperation.

Conservatives, forcing an emergency debate in the House of Commons, accused the government of bungling and Fuel Minister Emanuel Shinwell of dereliction of duty in permitting the coal shortage which made the power cut necessary.

"Resign, resign!" Conservatives shouted at Shinwell.

Leading industrial stocks, and government bonds, slumped deeply on the Stock Exchange.

The cabinet was understood to have decided, if necessary, to curtail railroad passenger service, restrict night performances of theaters and movies, matinees already were banned, and extend the power cut beyond southeastern, midland

Miner's Head Backs Gov't in Coal Crisis

Arthur Horner, general secretary of the British National Union of Mine Workers and member of the Communist Party's central committee, said Sunday:

"We will defend the Government against its class enemies. I urge the Government not to concede one inch before this foul and unscrupulous attack, and fearlessly to state the measures that must be taken to insure those adequate supplies of coal which are the basis of our country's welfare."

and northwestern England, the areas now affected.

RACING STOPPED

Greyhound racing throughout Great Britain was denied electric power by special order as non-essential.

It was estimated 4,000,000 workers had been thrown out of their jobs by the factory closures.

The power cut denied electricity to factories, in an area inhabited by 25,000,000 people, at 12:01 a.m. yesterday until further notice.

The cut to private consumers is effective from 9 a.m. until noon and from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. daily.



WORLD BRIEFS

COMMUNISTS MAY ENTER BRAZIL GOV'T

RIO DE JANEIRO Communists elected 18 out of 50 City Councilmen. Informed circles in Brazil predict Communists may be included in the cabinet.

HO CHI MINH, president of the Viet Nam Republic, told Reuters that "if France cannot settle the conflict by peaceful means" his government will appeal to the United Nations for arbitration, probably by the Big Five. Viet Nam peace terms are: "national unity (for the Annamese-speaking states of Cochinchina, Annam and Tongking) and independence."

JOSEPH STALIN was unanimously elected by his Moscow constituency to the Supreme Soviet of the Russian Republic, Radio Moscow reported. One hundred percent of the voters took part in the election, not a single bal-

lot was invalid or had Stalin's name struck off. Other results of Sunday's election are not yet tabulated.

AMERICAN TRIBUNALS in Germany will start soon after March 1 to try about 50 leading German industrialists from I. G. Farben, Krupp, Dresdner Bank, Herman Goering Steel Works, etc. They will be charged with contributing to Hitler's rise, maintenance of the Nazi state, profiting heavily from slave labor, Brig. Gen. Telford Taylor announced.

DEATH TOLL in Berlin's night club fire reached 91. Police are still searching the ruins for more bodies.

ATOMIC RESEARCH should be forbidden in Japan, the 11-nation Far Eastern Commission recommended to Gen. MacArthur.

LABOR and the NATION

Big Money Gangs Up on Nickel Fare

By Michael Singer

The most concentrated attack ever launched against the nickel fare was made yesterday before a jammed Board of Estimate public hearing. It was the showdown battle between the city's straphangers and the banker-realty interests. Proponents of the 10-cent fare were led by Harold

A Nickel Will Still Get You There

AN EDITORIAL

THERE were not enough New Yorkers at the five-cent fare hearings yesterday.

The subways were a darn sight more crowded than the hearings where the fate of the five-cent fare is being fought out.

That's bad for you, Mr. and Mrs. New Yorker. Get your spokesmen down there to fight. But, just as important, get down there yourself! Take any train to City Hall!

Riegelman of the Citizens Budget Commission and Paul Windels, chairman of the Citizens Transit Committee. The representatives of the high fare crowd arrogantly held their positions despite exposure of their proposal as a profiteering scheme for the landlords.

The dime fare supporters scoffed openly at the city's financial plight, lied boldly about real estate profits and refused the administration's invitation to "join us and fight this battle out in Albany."

Fourteen speakers were heard before the hearing recessed for dinner. Ten spokesmen for a higher fare and four to save the nickel tariff.

TURNOUT DISAPPOINTING

While the small Board of Estimate chamber was filled, the

turnout of supporters of the five-cent fare was disappointing in view of the important issue involved.

By 7:30 p.m., when the hearing reconvened, not a single American Labor Party, City CIO or Communist Party representative had received the floor. All three organizations had come prepared with statements, had previously recorded their requests with Mrs. Hilda Schwartz, Board of Estimate secretary, and had been given assurances that they would be called upon.

The only political party given the opportunity to speak up for the five cent fare were the Democrats, in what appeared as an effort to present them as the political group championing the present fare.

The American Federation of Labor was the sole labor organization to get the floor at the opening session of the two-day hearing.

Paul Windels and Matthew G. Ely, president of the Real Estate Board of New York, made no bones about the link between Big Business' demand for the dime fare and the end of rent controls. They urged rent rises, lowered real estate taxes and even implied a "taxpayers' strike" if their 10 cent fare demand were not met.

HIGH FARE ARGUMENTS

Harold Riegelman made 3 points which he contended were the basis for an increased fare.

1. Only a 10c fare can rehabilitate and extend "the run down, fast deteriorating and inadequate subway system."

2. Only a 10c fare can finance and build "heated schools, hospitals, recreational facilities and other urgent public works at present beyond the city's borrowing capacities."

3. Only a fare increase can avoid "new and increased tax burdens to meet increased operating costs" of the subways.

The Budget Commission counsel contended that "there is no foundation for the argument that rapid transit was conceived and established as a city service to be given away or sold at less than at cost." On the contrary, he said it was launched "as a profitable enterprise" to make money for "private interests."

The crux of Riegelman's argument was that a 10c fare, while bringing only \$6 to \$8 million more revenue, would increase the city's borrowing power by \$425 millions. Enough, he said, to build schools and hospitals "after subway requirements are met."

Riegelman complained that "Real estate, squeezed between rent ceilings and greatly increased operating expenses, is already over-taxed."

ODWYER POSES ISSUE

Throughout the testimony by the high fare proponents, Mayor O'Dwyer constantly interjected what he considered the heart of the issue: Will the 10c fare solve the main financial problem of the city? Advocates of an increase couldn't answer that question.

O'Dwyer kept repeating the following mathematical problem: "A 10 cent fare will bring us \$83 millions. Our present subway deficit is \$75 millions. The difference in added revenues will then be \$8 millions. We are faced with an \$800 millions budget. Show us how that \$8 millions can maintain

and operate the subways, rehabilitate it, expand it, give us schools, hospitals and other needed services and I'll go along with you."

The Mayor announced that he would broadcast the decision of the Board of Estimate on the fare issue on Wednesday, 7 p.m., over WNYC, based on the testimony heard at the two days' hearing.

Councilman Walter R. Hart, Brooklyn Democrat, speaking for the majority of the Council, made an emotional but effective speech in which he charged that the "10-centers" were "profit-hungry, dollar sign lovers." He told the real estate spokesmen "you're gathering in the profits from your real estate. Pay from those profits for the services of the city."

He assailed the theory that a 10-cent fare would make the subways self-sustaining and said that such an increase would benefit only the profiteers and the real estate interest.

SCORNS LANDLORDS' PLEA

Citing complaints from the Citizens Budget Commission that the cost of living has gone up and therefore fares should also rise, Hart contemptuously declared: "I suppose the theory is that the real estate owners are staggering under the increased costs of milk, bread and butter to such an extent that they require relief in the form of reduced taxes brought about by an increased fare."

Henry Epstein, former Solicitor General of the state of New York told the mayor and Board of Estimate that they had received "no mandate from the people to increase the fare and that the facts do not warrant such action."

Speaking extemporaneously, Epstein charged the real estate interests were "getting away with \$132 millions" on present tax assessments. He charged the concentrated Big Business effort to raise the subway fare was actually a hidden rent increase campaign.

HIDDEN RENT RISE

"It takes no expert," he said, "to realize that 5,200,000 people who live in apartments of \$50 or less per month rentals, will pay a 10 percent rent increase if the fare is raised to 10 cents."

He said that the city, when it spent over \$300,000,000 to buy the transit system, had committed itself to keep the five-cent fare, and that the only reason it bought and unified the subways was to maintain the present fare.

"One thing is clear," Epstein asserted, waving his finger at Riegelman and Windels, "this is an issue between those who ride the subways and those who pay the real estate taxes."

Another strong appeal for retention of the present fare was made by Rep. Walter A. Lynch, Bronx Democrat, who charged that the 10 cent fare proposal is "an indirect rent increase."

LANDLORDS' TAXES CUT

He said that the most striking feature of the whole real estate picture is that from the start of the war to the present day real estate tax levies have been cut almost \$42,500,000.

This cut he said, comes at a time "when apartments were 100 percent filled, when rent concessions were in the remote and distant past, when painting and elevator and other services were faint memories,"

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Tougher to Get in Hearing Than Into a Subway Train

By Harry Raymond

Straphangers had to find their way through a maze of police barriers ringing City Hall yesterday to get anything like ringside seats or standing room at the battle of the subways. Grey wooden sawhorses, bearing the warning "Police Line—Don't Cross" stood in crazy-house fashion at every entrance to City Hall Plaza.

All one had to do was to walk undisturbed between the barriers and up City Hall steps to register presence at the 10-cent fare hearing. But many were obviously confused or frightened by the police signs. And the mobilization of subway riders in defense of the 5-cent fare was smaller than anticipated.

The ornate Board of Estimate Chamber nevertheless was packed to its 250-person capacity with spokesmen for the real estate and banker interests on the one hand supporting a fare and representatives of people's organizations on the other backing maintenance of the traditional nickel fare.

LISTEN TO DEBATE

Straphangers who found their way around the barriers and braved their way through cordons of uniformed police and detectives listened to the debate over a loud speaker set up in the more roomy City Council chamber. Others stood shivering in the cold behind the sawhorses in City Hall Plaza where other loud-speakers carried the arguments.

One group, however, was undaunted by the difficulties. It was composed of forty women. Led by Miss Jeanette Turner, executive secretary of the New York City Consumers Council, they marched around City Hall with signs which read: "We Refuse to be Taken for a Ten-Cent Ride," "A Ten-Cent Fare is not Fair," and "Ten Cents a Day is a Pint of Milk."

Poker-faced Paul Windels, chairman of the Citizens Transit Committee and spokesman for the real estate interests, led off the list of speakers in the warm Board of Estimate chamber. He made it clear he wanted to keep the real estate tax rate down by boosting the fare.

INTERRUPTS WINDELS

Comptroller Lazarus Josephs interrupted Windels saying the 10-cent fare would give very little benefit to the subway lines—perhaps \$6,000,000 above the present debt.

Mayor O'Dwyer, who conducted the hearing from the center of the horseshoe-shaped dais entered the debate. Windels had been arguing the increased fare would end "your troubles."

"Whose troubles are they now?"

Mayor asked

"They are yours," Windels replied. "They are real estate troubles."

Mayor shot back: "They are yours (the burden of the debt

service) under law, aren't they?" "Yes," said Windels.

"You mean take it away from us (real estate) and put it somewhere else, and our troubles are over, don't you?" continued the Mayor. Windels did not answer this.

The Mayor chided Windels. Windels' figures, the Mayor said, showed the 10-cent fare would not solve the city's financial problems after payment of operating expenses and debt charges.

NOT ACCURATE

Also questioned closely by the Mayor and Josephs were Harold Riegelman, of the Citizens Budget Commission, to make his point for the 10-cent fare, Riegelman quoted financial figures from statements by Gen. Charles Gross, chairman of the Board of Transportation.

"I don't want to hear Gross' figures," barked the Mayor. "His figures haven't been accurate."

Throughout the debate, the mayor interrupted again and again denouncing statements of his Board of Transportation chairman. Under the law, he can't remove him until his term (Gross was appointed by Mayor LaGuardia) expires.

"Maybe General Gross is too

busy theorizing on the 10-cent fare to clean the cars," O'Dwyer told Mrs. Bessie Mott, Women's Club leader, who suggested a 10-cent fare to get cleaner cars.

On another occasion the Mayor remarked that General Gross was "too busy planning the last world war."

In the cold outside City Hall the crowd behind the barriers listened to every word blared forth through the loud-speakers. There was cheering on the plaza when Henry Epstein, former State Solicitor General told the Board of Estimate it had "no mandate from the people" to raise the fare. He charged the landlords with shedding "crocodile tears" to shift the burden of taxation to those least able to bear it.

Walter Gellhorn, husky, young special counsel for the AFL Central Trades and Labor Council, struck a hard blow at the 10-cent fare crowd by showing with facts and figures that big prosperous real estate pays less and less as the years go by for city services. City expenses have mounted 50 percent since 1927, he said, but revenue from real estate taxes have gone up only 9 percent.



NEW YORK

C.P. Legislative Program Hits State Penny-Pinching

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, Feb. 10.—Restoration of the 50 percent income tax cut of the Dewey Administration and a sharp increase of State aid to New York City is demanded in a 69-point legislative program submitted by the Communist Party to the Legislature today.

The program, warning against "State penny-pinching policies," urges the doubling of State aid to education and a state-wide minimum for teachers of \$2,500, with \$2,700 in New York City.

A State loan fund for veterans, income tax exemption up to \$5,000 for ex-GI's, and tax exemption up to \$5,000 for home-owning veterans, is also urged.

Extension and strengthening of the State rent control law is sought and stay of evictions for the housing emergency.

The Communist program also urges an immediate appropriation of \$100 millions for housing from the State Post-War Construction Fund and the authorization of a \$500 million loan for low-rent housing projects. Veterans preference in all housing built by public assistance is also sought as well as the outlawing of race, color or religious eligibility requirements.

HIT RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS

In a section on discrimination the Communist Party seeks the illegalization of "restrictive covenants in deeds and leases under which premises are denied persons by reasons of race, color or creed," and denial of tax exemption to all institutions practicing discrimination.

Opposition to anti-labor legislation in Congress sought and a series of new labor laws asked. Among these are 75-cent minimum hourly



Oh, My Rheumatism! Members of the Iceberg Club mark their annual mid-winter meeting with a dip in the surf at Coney Island. Although the water registered at 34 degrees and the air around the 12-degree mark, these hardy men stayed in the chilly water for half an hour.

wage; liberalization of the unemployment insurance law to eliminate the seven-week period for strikers; raising the maximum unemployment benefit to \$30 for 26 weeks, and extension of coverage to include categories of workers not covered today.

Liberalization of the Workmen's Compensation Law increasing State civil service salaries by \$2.50, a day. And a constitutional amendment lowering the voting age to 18 are also sought.

For the farmers the Communist Party proposed eight steps including an investigation of the "milk spread and the butter scandal" in order to raise prices to farmers and lower them to consumers.

Cops Ignore Threat to Negro Vet

EVICION FACES ONLY NEGRO FAMILY IN TENEMENT

By John Hudson Jones

Negro veteran James Jackson, his wife Louise and their six-month-old baby Yvonne live in constant fear. They are the only Negro family in the cold water tenement at 250 W. 16 St. The William Cruikshank and Sons Realty Co. of 49 Wall St., is trying to

evict them. Negro-hating neighbors are hurling insults and threats.

Mrs. Jackson, a short woman of 25, was in a state of nervous tension yesterday, when the Daily Worker visited her with Walter Garland of the United Negro and Allied Veterans.

Jackson, who spent two and a half years in Europe with the First Army, is a UNAVA member, employed by a New Jersey construction company.

"We're expecting something to happen all the time," Mrs. Jackson said, adding "I'm scared now to go to the store."

WHITE VET HELPED

In December, the Jacksons were lucky enough to secure the apartment from William Vila, a white vet friend. Vila had found a place in Jamaica. The arrangement was made through UNAVA and for the first time since he had been discharged in November, 1945, Jackson was able to live with his wife. She had been with relatives in Baltimore, and he was living in New York.

"The day we moved in," Mrs. Jackson sadly said, "they began calling us 'n-----s' and taking our name from the mailbox."

The apartment is at the end of a long dark first floor corridor. Mrs. Jackson declared that several days while Mr. Jackson was at work, someone stood outside the door and talked about "taking care of the n-----s."

TOLD TO GET OUT

Shortly after moving there, the Jacksons were told they'd have to move out, and the agents did not permit sub-letting. A. B. Sumner,

the agent, has refused the \$17 per month rent from them but has accepted it from Vila. Contacted yesterday and informed of the threats against the Jacksons Sumner said:

"I think it's bad, but they've got to get out."

Asked what difference it made provided he got his rent, he declared, "That's neither here nor there. Vila pulled a dirty trick by not getting out permission to sublet, so we're taking our place. If they're not out in a few days we're taking legal action."

He didn't know anything about the threats, however.

Visiting with Mr. Jackson, is her sister-in-law, Mrs. Dorothy Hood and her daughter Sheila, 2.

After leaving, Garland and this reporter went to the 10th Precinct

Testimonial Will Aid Widow of Slain Pfc.

Sarah Leftridge, 22, widow of Pfc. Allen Leftridge who was killed by American military guards in France in 1945, will be the beneficiary of a testimonial dinner, Feb. 28.

A War Department decision denying a pension to the young Bronx widow and her daughter Carolyn, 3, is now under review. The Veterans Justice Committee, organization of World War II vets which has been pressing the Leftridge case, is sponsoring the testimonial affair.

The dinner, to be held at Hotel Towers, Brooklyn, will honor Ludlow W. Werner, advisory chairman of the committee, which was formed by several hundred buddies of Leftridge.

police station to inform them of the situation, and to ask for an investigation and protection.

RUNAROUND FROM COPS

Upon inquiring for Captain Herbert Golden, the desk sergeant informed Garland that the proper place to go was the detective bureau, on the second floor.

Up there, Detective Neil Hughes, said that the "... detectives don't have anything to do with stuff like that." He said "it's a matter for the uniformed men." It was his opinion that Jackson should "... wait until something happens and then report it."

Back downstairs, the desk sergeant said that "... anyway, the captain ain't in. He's working the night shift." He thought that Hughes' advice was good—Let something happen, then report it or make complaint.

Yesterday, UNAVA sent telegrams to Mayor O'Dwyer and Police Commissioner Wallander informing them of the situation and requesting protection for the Jacksons.

In the meantime a family is undergoing nerve-racking fear. The smallest noise makes them jump, Mrs. Jackson said. "I'm so tense I can't do my house work or attend to the baby properly. At night we lay in bed with our hearts in our mouths."

Little Yvonne was gurgling and cooing on the bed yesterday, unable to share her parents' fears. It seemed such a commentary on our town that so tiny a baby would soon have no home, or still worse, might have to be told someday of a tragedy that happened to one of her parents in New York.

City AFL Shuts Up Dubinsky's Pal

By Bernard Burton

What happens when an irresistible force—labor's commonsense—meets an immovable object—a one-track red-baiter? Don't guess. We'll tell you what happens; the object is outflanked; common sense rolls on.

Take last Thursday's meeting of New York's AFL Central Trades and Labor Council. Conservative Council president Martin Lacey presided.

There was an air of national emergency about the meeting. The delegates unanimously approved the AFL Executive Council's call for action to defeat anti-labor legislation.

Council president Martin Lacey warns the delegates: "If there was ever a time that this body should be alert, it is now." He pleads with his fellow unionists to be "wide awake" in the fight to defeat anti-labor bills.

But Lacey reckoned without noisy Joe Tuvim, David Dubinsky's messenger-boy to the Council. You can always depend upon Joe to let go a blast at the "communists" anytime a delegate wants to suggest doing something to help labor.

Lacey recognized a printing pressmen's delegate seated in the rear of the auditorium. The delegate praised the national AFL's call and suggested more action locally to implement the call. He noted the national council had set up a five-man committee to explore organic unity with the CIO. He then urged united action locally as had already taken place in Rochester, Indianapolis, West Virginia and other areas.

That was Joe's cue. In his best bull-in-the-China-shop manner he boomed out a "point of order."

We don't need the help of any "outside organizations," he told the Council. And then came the familiar anti-Communist torrent by which anybody can recognize raucous Joe Tuvim.

He said united labor action was the line of the Communists and all of their followers and he was getting really set to "enlighten" the Council when chairman Lacey, who began to look a little bored and impatient, brought his gavel down.

Let's cut out the "gingerbread," Lacey told Tuvim. While Tuvim's point would be considered, he told the pressmen's delegate to continue.

The delegate made his remarks brief and asked the Council to consider unity of action.

Up popped sour-tongued Joe

again and down went Lacey's gavel again. "Cool off, Brother Tuvim," Lacey snapped. Other delegates rose to speak but that didn't stop Joe.

Joe was wound up now and he was really going to show 'em. It was "Communist" to unite the workers against anti-union bills. Postcards and such things were enough. And what's more he was tired of these "Communists" and these "demonstrations to Albany and Washington."

Up rose another delegate. He reminded the chair and Joe that the AFL had demonstrated in Albany last year and that was what had pushed through the State FEPC bill. (Later the Council voted unanimous support to a teachers' march on Albany).

And then this delegate got some-thing of his chest. He was sick of Tuvim's red-baiting every time somebody proposes activity to involve the rank and file. He said Tuvim's argument sounded like the stuff put out by the NAM and U. S. Chamber of Commerce.

That really got Tuvim. He kept bobbing up and down trying to get Lacey's attention while other speakers were given the floor. At long last, the chair, for the third time, recognized the boiling-mad chief delegate from the International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

Old Joe was red behind the ears by this time. He demanded that the brother be brought up on "charges" and made to "prove" that he, Joe Tuvim, had spread NAM propaganda.

At this point a delegate up front, who had remained quiet throughout the discussion, roared out: "That wouldn't be hard to prove."

Lacey interrupted for the umpteenth time. He informed Tuvim that the brother had yielded on the point and there was no case for charges. He sat Tuvim down.

Youth PCA in Albany Action February 25

The newly-formed Young Progressive Citizens of America will join the cooperating groups of the New York Youth Council in the latter's pilgrimage to Albany Feb. 25, it was announced today.

"PEACE KEY"

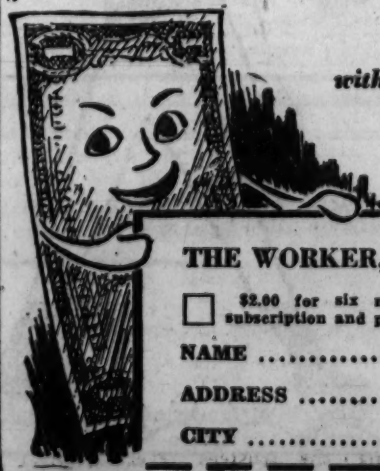
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Something New in Television: AFL-CIO Unity

AFL shop stewards at CBS Television are not waiting for their top leaders to get "organic unity" to get together with the CIO to fight anti-labor bills. The stewards of two AFL unions joined hands last week with the stewards of a third union at the studio—the Radio Guild of the CIO United Office and Professional Workers.

Until then the three unions had been at each other hammer and tongs. The two AFL unions are the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW).

The stewards got to talking it over and agreed all unions would get it in the neck if Taft, Ball and the rest of the GOPers get away with their open-shop schemes. They circulated a petition to Sen. Irving M. Ives, urging him to stand up and fight against the bills.

Almost every worker at the studio signed it. What's more studio people belonged to three other AFL unions helped—radio directors, cartoonists and scenic artists.

There are only about 100 working at the television studio but an IBEW meeting on Thursday night decided that their stewards ought to follow suit at the CBS radio studio where 1,000 are employed. The other unions felt the same way and now they are making plans to swing more than 1,000 CBS employees—AFL, CIO

and independent—into the campaign to block congressional union busting.

The action of CBS shop stewards is putting flesh around the unity worker out by radio unions during the recent AFL Radio Artists' dispute.

At that time the AFL Radio Directors Guild formed a temporary committee to help AFRA. Five unions joined in, but the CIO American Communications Association, the CIO Radio Guild and AFL Musicians Local 802 were not invited. Recently it was announced that all these unions will take part in the committee.



Back Blind Girl's Plea: Patsy Ruth Fergus, 16, chose to study at home when the Los Angeles school board ruled she must either do that or attend her classes without bringing her Seeing Eye dog. The dog might be dangerous to other children, the board said. So friends and neighbors are signing a petition to the board to win reversal of the ruling. Shown here are Patsy, holding her dog and her champions.

Rankin 'Red Menace' Now GOP Official Line

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Two developments over the weekend have clearly demonstrated the GOP leadership is officially behind the drive to whip up anti-Communist hysteria. Late Saturday, speaker of the House Joe Martin (R-Mass)

pledged the support of House Republicans to the Un-American Activities Committee in its persecution of Gerhard Eisler. On Sunday, Sen. Styles Bridges (R-NH), a power in the GOP, issued a statement opposing Senate confirmation of David E. Lilienthal as chairman of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission. The former TVA head, Bridges charged, is "an appeaser of and friendly to Soviet Russia."

Chairman J. Parnell Thomas of the House Un-American Committee revealed last week his group has before it about ten drafts of bills aimed at outlawing the Communist Party. But the statements of

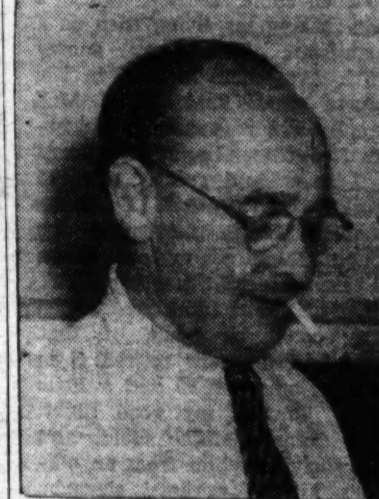
Martin and Bridges make it clear the real target of the Republicans is not the Communists. Their attack is aimed at all progressives, including those liberals identified with the New Deal of Franklin D. Roosevelt whom they would like to drive from public life.

Joe Martin told newsmen the GOP was "behind the committee to re-

personal belief in public ownership is so profoundly strong as to tend toward socialism. It is a belief shared generally by extreme New Dealers," according to Bridges.

The GOP, however, does not propose to stop with the conservative Lilienthal. According to reports at the Capitol, Republicans regard Daan Acheson, Under-Secretary of

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EISLER
First GOP Victim?

move the red menace from America and to drive it out of government."

WHO IN MIND?

Who does Martin have in mind? A year ago, it would have been obvious, that in the distorted thinking of the GOP, these words referred to men like Henry Wallace, Harold Ickes, Chester Bowles, Paul Porter, Wilson Wyatt, Robert Nathan, etc. Today there are no New Dealers in any responsible government position. Martin's guns, it follows, are turned against men of moderate views who do not string along with the rank reactionary line of the Taft-Dewey-NAM leadership of the GOP.

Sen. Bridges, rather opportunely, we may say, spelled it out for us. Lilienthal, despite his red-baiting, despite his off-the-record innuendoes against the Soviet Union, is unacceptable to the gentlemen from New Hampshire because he "is an extreme New Dealer."

Furthermore, Lilienthal "has directed TVA, a social experiment which is a wide departure from the American system of private ownership of property. Mr. Lilienthal's

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Ohio Labor in Joint Body To Fight Anti-Union Bills

Special to the Daily Worker

CLEVELAND, Feb. 10.—Formation of a joint body to present a common front of Ohio's million organized workers against anti-labor legislation was announced here by John Fitzgerald, legislative agent of the Cleveland Federation of Labor. Fitzgerald announced that the state committee, to meet twice monthly at Columbus, is composed of representatives of the State CIO and AFL, Railroad Brotherhoods and of the United Telephone Organizations, the latter two groups unaffiliated.

In addition to waging war on national and state anti-labor bills, the newly-formed committee will throw labor's united strength behind proposed legislation to liberalize Ohio's unemployment compensation. The unions are particularly incensed over the high rate of jobless pay claim denials last year.

(Ohio's joint labor action follows recent formation of similar bodies in Indiana, Delaware, Utah, Texas and Montana as reported in previous issues of the Daily Worker.)

Ohio's resistance movement against labor-busting measures received a big push at the recent CIO state legislative conference at Columbus. The conference voted to initiate legislative conferences in 14 major industrial centers of the state to which CIO, AFL, Railroad Brotherhood, Negro, nationality,

consumer and other groups will be invited. Among the issues to highlight those conferences will be the campaign for a state FEPC law.

Cleveland's CIO has already set

its conference for Feb. 16. This will be a high point of the active campaign that has already been under way in this area in opposition to the anti-labor bills.

1,000 AT INDIANA INQUIRY HIT ANTI-LABOR BILLS

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 10.—Despite a blizzard, united labor swarmed into the Indiana state house 1,000 strong, crowded the house and senate chambers and jammed committee rooms in a demonstration against anti-labor bills last week.

Delegates from the AFL, CIO and railroad brotherhoods flooded into the state capital by train, chartered busses and automobiles, braving icy roads and blinding gusts of snow to get here.

"This is a demonstration of democracy in action," President Carl Mullen of the Indiana Federation of Labor told the packed senate chamber.

In response the legislators gave the delegates an ovation. Then in a

kidding vein the house killed, 64 to 27, a bill to put a moratorium on portal-to-portal pay suits.

Among the pending bills, which have brought Indiana unions together in a united, fighting mood, are a Christian American Assn.-sponsored proposal to ban the closed shop, a bill outlawing mass picketing and secondary boycotts, a proposal to allow state police intervention in labor disputes and suspension of the law governing night work for women.

Charleston Negroes Win Use of Town Hall

Special to the Daily Worker

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 10.—The Negro people of this city have won a six year fight for the use of the two-story County Hall. Having previously had no other place of assembly, 7,700 persons, 25 percent of the Negro population, filled the hall to celebrate the ban's end.

The fight to break the Jim Crow lockout, was spearheaded by the Veteran's Civic Organization, under the leadership of Albert N. Brooks, a vet. The veterans started court actions as a last resort.

Shying away from a federal ruling, the trustees reversed themselves and two hours before the

meeting people began streaming into the \$400,000 hall. Those who couldn't squeeze in listened to the proceeding outside over a public address system.

Main speakers were attorney Harold R. Boulevard, and Editor John H. McCray of the Lighthouse and In-

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Change the World

In Dante's House, Something New!
Also Note from an Irish Veteran

By Mike Gold

IRVING GOFF, once an officer in Spain, then in the OSS underground, follows that Dante discussion which somehow busted out in this column recently. Reason? Goff But read his note; discover something even more:



"Here's the pay-off on that Dante discussion which I followed with lively interest in your column. knows Italy, and has been in the house where Dante was born. He fought also with the Italian partisans, learned to have a great feeling for our Italian comrades.

"In the heart of Florence, there's a 14th-century building known as 'La Casa di Dante.' Italians are proud of this birthplace of their greatest poet. For many years thousands of tourists, literati, artists, have been visiting the house to pay homage to the poet.

"During the war, thousands of GIs did the same.

"But they encountered something new. It must have seemed strange to the average GI to find on the second floor of Dante's old house certain offices functioning as the Provincial Headquarters of the Communist Party!

"TO ME, it seemed historically O.K. The Italian Communists are carrying on the spirit of Dante. They belong in that house, since they come from the heart of the people.

"Rossi, secretary of the CP, whom I met and admired, was head of the partisans in Florence during the Nazi occupation. When the Allies approached, his fighters went into action. A British officer, McIntosh, told me of one incident for which he received the Victoria Cross:

"The Germans intended to resist at the River Arno, a natural barrier with Florence behind it. McIntosh crossed at night and established liaison with the Italian partisans. They were able to inform him of every move of the enemy, and he phoned this to the British command.

"The Nazis were forced to change their plans and hastily withdraw. As they pulled out, the partisans attacked them on every side, killing many, themselves taking some heavy losses.

"The Allied Military Government took over. That's when the Battle of Dante's Spirit began. The Communist Party, that had organized the partisans and fought to liberate the city, were actually refused the right to publish a newspaper or to do any more anti-fascist organizing and educating!

"But the same rotten chief of police who had flunked for years under Mussolini and Hitler, was maintained in office by the Allied Government. This rat had caused the arrest, torture, killing of thousands of anti-fascists.

"I am sure, however, he is gone now. Many battles in Italy have been won by the emerging forces of the people, as was evidenced by the recent election returns. Mike, your Dante is very much alive today, and the right people have their headquarters in the right house."

SEVERAL interesting letters arrived from old-timers who knew Jim Larkin when he was active here in the American labor and Communist movement.

Dorothy Sullivan Brophy, a fine labor veteran now bedridden in New York, writes about the epic of Easter Week.

"I was a member for years of the old Socialist Party, but could not stomach its fuzzy attitude toward World War I, the Russian Revolution or the Irish Rebellion.

"I followed John Reed and Jim Larkin into the Communist Party, after going through the struggle for a working class policy in the Socialist Party, which battle ended in failure.

"Then came the Red Raids. I was making my living then as a beautician. When my snooty Fifth Ave. clientele read in the papers that their nice Mrs. Brophy was a gruesome, dangerous Red, things began to happen!

"I knew and greatly admired Gurley Flynn's father. I felt she went into the movement too young. I had got my own lesson 20 years earlier in the Troy, N. Y., collar and shirt industry. A good story could be made of that period. I am now retired from activity, am over 80 and a little tired. So will say good night, good Comrade Mike Gold, and comradesly affection from an old-timer in the workers' struggle, Dorothy Sullivan Brophy."

The tone of her letter is so brave and spirited for an old lady living perhaps in loneliness. I wish we had an Old Bolshevik's Home where we cared for our veterans, gave them a pleasant place among their own. But capitalism is too busy in vice and profiteering, and the old are little thought of.

Where today are all the old labor leaders, prison martyrs, strike heroes, Communist pioneers of the United States? Are they in want? Are they lonely or unbefriended?

PESTBROOK WIGLER, ROVING REPORTER



"Make it look like Adolf's . . . I'm seeing Herman Talmage tonight."

JEFFERSON AND EISLER

• Fighter for Our Democracy
• In Jefferson's Footsteps

By James S. Allen

GERHART EISLER IS BECOMING an American hero. Born in Austria, he fought Hitlerism in Germany, fascism in Spain, Munichism in France, and Chiang Kai-shekism in China. From involuntary exile in the United States during the war he contributed to the defeat of the Axis.

Today Eisler fights for American democracy. He is not an American, he does not want to remain in this country. His new role has been forced upon him by Americans who wish to crush democracy in our country.

They are attempting to crucify Eisler as a means of achieving their fascist aims at home and abroad. Eisler does not permit himself to be crucified. In his spirited and courageous counter-attack, in which the political principles of anti-fascism are expressed so brilliantly, Eisler has identified himself with the brightest traditions of American democracy.

Two of the Alien Acts lapsed. The one that remained gave the President power to imprison or expel any foreigner during time of war. This is the law now resurrected to hold Eisler prisoner. And, at that, it is done illegally, since this is not wartime.

WHEN THESE un-American bills were before Congress, the Jeffersonians put up a valiant and uncompromising fight against them.

In a speech that could be delivered today with honor by Democrats who claim Jefferson, Edward Livingston said 150 years ago:

"Do not let us be told that we are to excite a fervor against a foreign aggression to establish a tyranny at home;

"that like the arch traitor we cry 'Hail Columbia' at the moment we are betraying her to destruction;

"that we sing, 'Happy Land,' when we are plunging it in ruin and disgrace;

"and that we are absurd enough to call ourselves free and enlightened while we advocate principles that would have disgraced the age of Gothic barbarism."

Welcome to the ranks of American heroes, Gerhart Eisler!

WORTH REPEATING

Mao Tse-tung, Chinese Communist Party chairman said: "Our comrades must understand that we do not study Marxism-Leninism for appearance's sake, nor because there is any mystery in it—as though it were a kind of charm that could frighten away devils. No, we do not study Marxism-Leninism because of these reasons, but because it is very useful. There seems to be a lot of people who think Marxism-Leninism is a kind of charm by possessing which one can cure any disease. This is infantile ignorance. Only those who look upon Marxism-Leninism as a dogma can have such notions. Such people have to be told that their dogmas are absolutely useless—more useless even than cow dung. For, whereas cow dung can be used as a fertilizer, dogmas can not." Speech at inauguration of the Central Party School, Peking, 1, 1942.

— Press Roundup —

Lawrence Doubletalks On Bureaucracy

THE SUN'S David Lawrence deplores "the tendency toward making the central government the master rather than the servant of the citizen. . . ." Having got that off his chest he demands that the central government shall dictate to working men against a closed shop. Lawrence is cheered by the alliance of Southern polltax congressmen with Northern Republicans. He says: "Many of these Democrats come from the South, where the fires of the Washington and Jefferson tradition still burn brightly." The spectacle of Rankin, Bilbo and O'Daniel carrying the flame of Jeffersonian democracy is something to stir the imagination.

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM charges editorially the Russians are the obstacle to UN agreement on an international Bill of Rights. In the same issue of the paper Eleanor Roosevelt, chairman of the UN Human Rights Commission takes issues with those newspapers which played up the dispute. The newspapers "have spoken little," Mrs. Roosevelt writes, "of what I find particularly encouraging—namely, that in spite of the differences on procedure . . . there has been, on the whole, a very encouraging effort by all members of the Human Rights Commission to expedite the work." Noting what she terms a difference between the Marxist and democratic point of view, Mrs. Roosevelt concludes: "but where human rights are concerned I hope we will have a considerable area of agreement."

THE TIMES approves Gen. Marshall's veto of disarmament until the Japanese peace treaty is signed. But it performs a sleight of hand when it conveys the impression that "the other nations, including the United States" were reluctant to accept the Soviet proposal of a disarmament commission. Every single nation in the Security Council supported that proposal quickly, without reluctance. After the U. S. found itself all alone, it changed its resolution to bring it more in line with the majority of the council. But even the Australian delegate criticized Austin for trying to impose an atomic ultimatum on the UN.

THE HERALD TRIBUNE'S George Fielding Eliot claims "the Security Council's deadlock over atomic control and the reduction of armaments may well be Russian reluctance to face up to the prospect of an international inspection system operating on Soviet territory." Now Eliot should pray that his readers have not followed the Security Council debate. The deadlock could be broken in a minute if that were the real reason. The U. S. delegation opposes the disarmament resolution of the General Assembly which includes an international system of control and inspection.



Test New Jet Helicopter: Stanley Hiller Jr., Palo Alto, Cal., tunes up the first American helicopter to use a tail-jet for rotor torque compensation, while a mechanic observes the engine's operation. The fancy words have something to do with a tendency of the plane to spin around as the blades whirl.

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Tax Facts

REPUBLICAN leaders in Congress are having their hands full on this 20 percent tax cut business. Their original scheme would save tens of thousands of dollars for the rich and pennies for the little man. But the public caught on to this swindle in time.

So now the GOP's trying to sugar it a bit with a "compromise." This "compromise" would still reduce taxes by 20 percent for the man making \$2,500 or less; by 17 percent for those making between \$2,500 and \$5,000; by 15 percent for those making between \$5,000 and \$10,000; by 10 percent for those making more than \$10,000.

This sounds good, but essentially it is the same fraud as the Knutson 20 percent across-the-board plan.

The worker who pays income taxes now, where he did not before the war, would still go on paying under the "compromise" plan. He would have only a few cents less taken out of his weekly check.

The big guy would still save thousands as compared to penny savings for the poor.

The answer to the tax question does not lie in rate reductions for the rich. It lies in increasing tax exemptions so that workers who did not pay income taxes before the war will not have to pay them after the war. This means bringing exemptions up at least to prewar level and keeping rates up for the rich.

There is no reason in the world why the low-income groups who shelled out most of the taxes during the war, should have to continue to do so now. This was not why we fought.

Why No Disarmament?

OUR country's official position on disarmament must be baffling to the rest of the world.

Our new Secretary of State, Gen. Marshall, has flatly turned thumbs down on disarmament in his first press conference.

Meanwhile our delegate, Sen. Austin, proclaims our devotion to disarmament in the UN debates.

Marshall's statement showed our "get-tough-with-the-world" policy still continues. He was tough with the Polish government, tough in his insistence that we're going to build up Pacific military bases, tough in demanding peacetime military training.

Marshall's refusal to consider disarmament was based on his argument that somehow these United States are in danger of something. Of what?

The "we-are-in-danger" propaganda simply doesn't stand up to reality. There is no country in the world either capable or desirous of attacking us. The only people anxious to take a crack at us are the defeated revenge-planning Nazis and Japanese. And they are the only people we're nice to these days.

The Marshall-Austin position calls for more atomic bombs, more military training, bigger armies and navies. It states we will not even think of disarming until some future date when the treaties with Germany and Japan will be signed. And then after that, we will not disarm until "we"—that is the Wall Street trusts and "brass hats"—are "satisfied" there is no peril. Which means an indefinite delay, deliberately created by us.

This will isolate the U.S.A. from everyone else. It makes for arms races, suspicion and reaction at home.

Gen. Marshall will not succeed in making the "get-tough" line work by making it tougher. We've got to get to the FDR policy of friendly cooperation with other

SHARPENING THE AXE



Letters From Our Readers

On Monopoly Of Press

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Senator James E. Murray deserves the support and encouragement of every citizen for his stand against the monopoly press.

A free press is now seriously threatened by monopoly which started more than 25 years ago. Here, for instance, is a reference to this fact made by the financial London weekly, *The Economist* in an editorial, "The American Press," April 6, 1929, which said in part: "The American press founded originally upon personalities, is becoming institutionalized. The past ten years have been a period of striking growth of newspaper chains, and have witnessed increased shrinking of local journals in widely scattered cities under single ownership and management."

"In the last five years the number of chains has more than doubled and the number of controlled papers has increased by more than half."

The newspapers of the chains are particularly full of reactionary poison, atom-bomb-like scares and sensational barbarisms.

A. GARCIA DIAZ.

Wants Action On Unemployment Now

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I am unemployed and aware that for the Negro people, women, elderly people, youth, veterans and the foreign-born, finding a job is becoming increasingly difficult.

The unemployed ought to begin to get together in order to raise a loud collective voice demanding jobs. I cannot go along with the idea that it is not yet a big problem. To those who happen to be working, it may not seem to be a problem, but to the many people looking for jobs and finding none, it certainly is very serious.

My suggestion is that the Communist Party appoint a committee to make a study of the situation and that these findings be published in pamphlet form.

ANGELO J. TOMASULO.

VIEWS ON LABOR NEWS

REV. SMITH CLARIFIES ACTU

By George Morris

A PARAGRAPH IN MY COLUMN of Dec. 24 has apparently caused a great deal of displeasure and difficulties in the ranks of the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists (ACTU).

They honored me with a lengthy editorial and a cartoon in one issue of their official organ, the *Labor Leader*. A lengthy follow-up, a letter from Rev. William J. Smith, director of the Jesuit Crown Heights Labor School, came in the next issue.



On Dec. 24 I said that Rev. Smith is a "principal ideologist of the ACTU" and that his book *Spotlight on Labor Unions* is essentially a program of "clerical fascism." I further called attention to the following from page 43:

"It is our conviction that the sooner we see a united trade union movement in America the better. Anytime the sound, constructive, unspotted unions in the CIO decide to go back to the AFL and leave the Communist aggregations isolated and on their own, we would welcome the move. Personally, that appears to us to be the most logical and perhaps the only solution of a thoroughly unsatisfactory situation."

I can see why the stalwarts in the ACTU howl. This is giving away their game and makes disturbing reading to the far larger circle of workers whom they deceive with their red-baiting activities. So they simply banged out an editorial dissociating the ACTU from the Catholic Labor School system.

BUT THAT, apparently, was still not satisfactory enough for some disturbed people within the ACTU's orbit, for in the next issue they had Rev. Smith himself give a lengthy explanation to show that those are "two separate movements." But Rev. Smith, far from proving the ACTU claim, proves mine.

Rev. Smith expresses sorrow for the ACTU that my identification of his views as those of the ACTU "adds fuel to the fire of your displeasure," and it is "all the more embarrassing when sympathetic friends" do so "unwittingly."

But Rev. Smith then turns around and gently straightens out

his pupils. Yes, there are at least two separate movements in the field—ACTU and the Jesuit Labor School Movement. For "clarity's sake" the ACTU is correct in pointing this out, he says. But he also notes that they are "our" organizations, and explains that they are really two departments of the same movement.

PRAISING THE ACTU'S work, Rev. Smith writes: "I have never belittled the direct action approach of the ACTU." Then, explaining his Jesuit School work, he says "We prefer at present to confine our efforts to indirect action, education technique, labor school organization and over-all indoctrination." And he adds "that there is plenty of work and plenty of room for both movements and methods in the field."

Thus we have it on their own authority: the ACTU consists of the actual members in the local unions who take "direct action" (or more plainly said who directly interfere) in the unions; the Jesuit and other diocesan labor schools "indoctrinate" recruits for the ACTU.

Apparently embarrassed when its real views and authority is brought out in sunshine, the ACTU is trying the old army game and cries 'taint me.

As a matter of fact I have carefully compared the pattern outlined by Rev. Smith with the contents of the ACTU's publications in Detroit and New York. They check on every count. And if more were desired, look at Connecticut where the pupils of diocesan labor schools made the first major move to carry out Rev. Smith's suggestion. They moved to take the "unspotted" locals of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers out of the union. And these are the people who are screaming to high heaven about Communist "interference."

Now that Rev. Smith has clarified the ACTU boys on just where they fit in to the picture (the same picture) we will take *Spotlight on Labor Unions* apart in much greater detail on another occasion. It is also to be hoped that the ACTU people will stop ducking or feeling ashamed of the book's contents, but take the responsibility. It is their baby.

Selly Urges Marine Unions Unite for Shipowner Talks

Expressing regret that the Committee for Maritime Unity is being disbanded, president Joseph Selly of the CIO American Communications Association warned of the "new unity achieved by shipowners" for June 15 contract negotiations.

Selly said, in a statement for his union, that "seamen and longshoremen, irrespective of affiliation will recognize the gravity" of the problem that confronts them.

"We are equally certain that new ways will be found to unite maritime workers for the achievement of their common aims," he added.

He said the ACA will shortly call a conference of its marine department to consider the problem "and will call for joint action through which seamen and longshoremen can meet and solve their common problems."

He praised highly the CMU's

"unprecedented" contribution to the welfare of the seamen during its short history.

"Unity is the need of the hour," Selly stressed. "It is the responsibility of all maritime unions to submerge past differences and to unite to improve wages and working conditions on June 15."

The National Maritime Union's membership held its New York port meeting last night to consider the proposal to disband the CMU. The statement of the CMU recommending dissolution, gave as its chief reason-NMU president Joseph Curran's resignation as co-chairman and the "confusion and disunity" that resulted from it within the NMU.



Paralyzed Vets Parley: Harold Sharper (right) of Park Falls, Wisc., outlines plans for the first annual convention of the Paralyzed Veterans Association in Chicago. The paraplegic vets with Sharper hail from Los Angeles, Calif., and Yonkers, N. Y.



THE YOUNGEST prospect ever to be signed up in organized baseball, little Paul Frederick Weiser, Jr., gets the feel of the ol' apple at his home in St. Louis, Mo. The tot was signed by the St. Louis Cardinals to play with their Omaha minor league club in 1964.

Newark Rally To Hear Dennis

Special to the Daily Worker

NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 10.—Eugene Dennis and other speakers will unmask the phony liberalism of newly elected Gov. Driscoll at a Lenin-Lincoln meeting here Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

The main theme of the rally, to be held at the Mosque Theater, 2:30 p.m. will be "Stop The Anti-Labor Bills." Protests against the anti-union activity of New Jersey's two GOP senators, Alexander Smith and Albert Hawkes, and Gov. Driscoll are expected to come out of the meeting, which will be attended by Jersey trade unionists.

In addition to General Secretary Dennis of the Communist Party, New York City Councilman Benjamin Davis will address the meeting, which is sponsored by the New Jersey Communist Party.

CIO Bank Workers Win Raise, Health Plan

Nine dollars in weekly pay increases, and hospitalization and group insurance up to \$1,000 to be paid by the employer, were won by CIO Financial Employees Guild members in the Royal Industrial Bank at 1134 Broadway. Contract renewal negotiations were concluded last week.

First 'Mainstream' Off the Press

Something new, strong, and handsome has been added to American culture. It's *Mainstream*, the new literary quarterly that went on sale yesterday at 50 cents a copy.

Chock full of fine writing by new and established authors, it carries forward the progressive literary traditions of our country; advances a people's literature truthfully portraying American life; encourages working class writing in America; and, strives to stimulate Marxist thinking in literature and the other creative arts. However, *Mainstream* "invites the participation of both Marxists and non-Marxist progressive writers." And last, but definitely

not least, it pays for contributions! Dalton Trumbo, the screen writer, has a satiric poem about a liberal who got scared and resigned from a progressive committee; John Howard Lawson, also of Hollywood, deals with "Parrington and the Search for Tradition;" "The Dawn Swings In" is a fine short story by Lance Jeffers, a young Negro veteran; Milton Howard, Daily Worker associate editor, looks at "Partisan Review: Esthetics of the Cage"; provocative is the word for Negro playwright Theodore Ward's "Five Negro Novelists: Revolt and Retreat."

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Samuel Sillen, editor-chief, said "Mainstream" had paper for 10,000 copies, already has more than 2,500 subs. The first printing is practically taken up by the subs and advance orders, which have come from every state but Mississippi, and from a score of foreign countries.

He was anxious to emphasize "the fighting character of *Mainstream*" Sillen declared when interviewed at 832 Broadway. He was very happy over the representation of veterans in the first issue.

Sillen called our attention to "Notes From the Gallows" by Julius Fuchik, a Czechoslovak Communist murdered by the Nazis in 1942. The piece is an extract from a manuscript that was secretly written in the Gestapo prison, Prague.

Among other contributors are Milton Blau, veteran poet and one of the founders of Contemporary Writers; Arnaud D'Usseau, co-author of *Tomorrow the World* and *Deep Are the Roots*, writes on "The Theatre Critic As Thinker"; Langston Hughes, the great Negro poet, who gives "Trumpet Player: 52nd Street"; Thomas Bell, author of *There Comes a Time* on "The Man Who Made Good in America"; Morris Schappes, noted anti-fascist scholar, deals with "The Folk Art of Sholom Aleichem" and critic and translator Joseph Bernstein on "Stendhal's Sense of History," a short story by Meridel Le Seuer, and a critique on Jacob Lawrence's art by Gwendolyn Bennett.

Significant are "Four Greek Poems" written by Greek partisans whose names can not be disclosed for fear of fascist reprisals in their battle-torn country. There are several fine reproductions of Jacob Lawrence's tempera series on John Brown. The magazine's symbol is by Rockwell Kent.

In every respect the first issue of *Mainstream* is a triumph. Perhaps the letter from a California bookseller ordering a supply for his shop gets the idea, "It's about time some quarterly literary journal was started that has good, honest, sincere, American writing in it for a change."

GOV'T SOCKS SHOE FIRM

By Federated Press

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The slow process of making advertisers honest moved another step Feb. 6 when the Geo. Merritt Shoe Co., Inc., Brockton, Mass., agreed to stop lying.

In a stipulation with the Federal Trade Commission, the firm agreed to stop claiming its products, including Davis Air Cushion Sole Health Shoes and Tru-Spot Arch Balance Shoes, would do much more than keep one's socks off the floor.

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Merritt also agreed to discontinue misrepresenting his products as orthopedic since none contain special scientific orthopedic or health features.

In return, Merritt avoids federal prosecution.

Reach Compromise in Movie Pickets' Trial

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 10.—A legal compromise was reached here last week to end the scheduled mass trials of 1,100 workers arrested for picketing major Hollywood studios which have locked out their workers.

Assistant City Attorney Donald Redwine said defense attorneys had agreed to a proposal under which 300 arrested pickets would plead guilty to one of four charges against them and the remainder of the 1,100 would be freed of all charges. The choice of the 300 was left to the AFL movie unions involved.

Bigger picket lines around the studios and a general tightening of pressure on producers as a result of the compromise was predicted by chairman Herbert K. Sorrell of the Conference of Studio Unions (AFL).

ILG Rank-File Raps Zimmerman

Manager Charles S. Zimmerman of Dressmakers Local 22, was assailed last night for permitting an "employers' tax" on dressmakers for allowing introduction of a "speedup section work" in the industry.

Zimmerman, head of AFL International Ladies Garment Workers Local, was rapped at a Rank and File election rally at the Hotel Diplomat, 108 W. 34 St. More than 500 dressmakers applauded the Rank and File program.

I. Weissberg, Rank and File candidate for manager, declared that deductions are now made from the pay of out-of-town dressmakers employed by New York jobbers. The deductions are used to pay the jobbers' shipping costs, Weissberg charged, and constitute an "employers' tax" on the workers.

Weissberg asserted that section work—whereby dressmakers work on sections rather than an entire garment—has been introduced in the New York shops.

He announced that Zimmerman had been invited to debate these and other issues at a rally of the Rank and File group next Monday, Feb. 17, at the Hotel Diplomat.

Clothing Union Raps Rent Bills

The CIO Amalgamated Clothing Workers telegraphed a protest yesterday to the Senate Banking Committee against proposed legislation to boost rents.

Jacob S. Potofsky, Amalgamated president, warned the Senate committee that increases in rents at the present time can only result in wholesale evictions and would intensify the veterans' housing problem.

Big Four Rubber Wage Talks Off

AKRON, Feb. 10.—Because of protracted stalling by the Big Four rubber companies the CIO United Rubber Workers announced last week that wage negotiations, in progress at Cincinnati since Jan. 27, have been suspended.

The URWA demanded an industry-wide 26 cents an hour increase last Nov. 1.

The union has instructed its locals "to prepare themselves in such manner as to place themselves in a stronger bargaining position."

The Wall Street Journal recently quoted an Akron rubber executive as saying:

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MORNING
 11:00-WOR—News—Prescott Robinson
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 WJZ—Breakfast With Breneman
 WCB—Arthur Godfrey
 WQXR—News; Alma Detlinger
 11:15-WNBC—Tello Test Quiz
 11:30-WNBC—Jack Berch Show
 WOR—Success Story
 WJZ—Hollywood Story—Sketch
 WCB—Grand Slam—Musical Quiz
 WQXR—Stringtime
 11:45-WNBC—Lora Lawton—Sketch
 WOR—Talk—Victor H Lindiahr
 WJZ—William Lang Show
 WCB—Rosemary—Sketch
AFTERNOON
 12:00-WNBC—Red Hall, News
 WOR—Home Edition—News
 WJZ—Kenny Baker Show
 WCB—News; Kate Smith's Chat
 WQXR—News; Luncheon Concert
 12:15-WNBC—Metropolitan News
 WOR—Checkerboard Jamboree
 WCB—Aunt Jenny's Stories
 12:30-WNBC—Maggi McNellis
 WOR—News; So This is Love
 WJZ—News—Nancy Craig
 WCB—Helen Trent
 12:45-WNBC—Memory Album
 WCB—Our Gal Sunday
 1:00-WNBC—Mary Margaret McBride
 WOR—Better Half—Matinee
 WJZ—H. R. Baukhage—News
 WCB—Big Sister—Sketch
 • WQXR—News; Midday Symphony
 1:15-WCB—Ma Perkins
 WJZ—Powers Chain School
 1:30-WOR—Listen Here, Ladies
 WJZ—Galen Drake
 WCB—Young Dr. Malone
 1:45-WNBC—Robert McCormick, News
 WOR—The Answer Man
 WCB—Road of Life
 2:00-WNBC—Today's Children—Sketch
 WOR—Daily Dilemma
 WJZ—Kiernan's Corner
 WCB—Second Mrs. Burton
 WQXR—News; Program Favorite
 2:15-WNBC—Woman in White—Sketch
 WJZ—The Woman's Exchange
 WCB—Perry Mason—Sketch
 2:30-WNBC—Masquerade—Sketch
 WOR—Queen for a Day
 WJZ—Bride and Groom
 WCB—Long Journey—Sketch
 WQXR—Curtain at 2:30
 2:40-WNBC—Betty Crocker, Talk
 2:45-WNBC—Light of the World—Sketch
 WCB—Rose of My Dreams
 WQXR—Music Memory Game
 3:00-WNBC—Life Can Be Beautiful
 WOR—Martha Deane Program
 WJZ—Ladies Be Seated
 WCB—Bouquet for You
 WQXR—News; Recent Releases
 3:15-WNBC—Ma Perkins—Sketch
 3:30-WNBC—Pepper Young
 WOR—Rambling With Gambling
 WJZ—Pat Barnes Talk
 WCB—Winner Take All
 WQXR—What's On Your Mind?
 Do Immigration Quotas Meet To-day's Needs?
 3:45-WNBC—Right to Happiness
 WJZ—Studio Tour
 4:00-WNBC—Backstage Wife
 WOR—Ask Dr. Eddy
 WJZ—Tommy Bartlett Show
 • WQXR—News; Symphonic Matinee
 4:15-WNBC—Stella Dallas
 4:30-WNBC—Lorenzo Jones—Sketch
 WOR—Uncle Don
 WJZ—Cliff Edwards, Songs
 WCB—Joly Kerns Orchestra
 4:45-WNBC—Young Widder Brown
 WOR—Buck Rogers—Sketch
 WJZ—Dick Tracy—Sketch
 5:00-WNBC—When a Girl Marries
 WOR—Hop Harrigan—Sketch
 WJZ—Terry and the Pirates
 WCB—School of the Air
 WQXR—News; Today in Music
 5:15-WNBC—Portia Faces Life
 • WOR—Superman
 WJZ—Sky King—Sketch
 WQXR—Latin-American Rhythms
 5:30-WNBC—Just Plain Bill
 WOR—Captain Midnight—Sketch
 WJZ—Jack Armstrong—Sketch
 WCB—Treasure Bandstand
 WQXR—Cocktail Time
 5:45-WNBC—Front Page Farrell
 WOR—Tom Mix—Sketch
 WJZ—Tennessee Jed—Sketch
EVENING
 6:00-WNBC—Kenneth Bagnhart, News
 WOR—George C. Putnam, News
 WJZ—News, Sports—Joe Hasel
 WCB—News—Harry Marble
 WQXR—News; Music to Remember
 6:15-WNBC—Serenade to America
 WOR—Bob Elson, Interviews
 WJZ—Ethel and Albert
 WCB—You and Alcohol
 6:30-WCB—Sports—Red Barber
 WQXR—Dinner Concert
 WOR—News—Fred Vandeventer
 WJZ—Allen Prescott—Talk
 6:40-WNBC—Sports—Bill Stern
 6:45-WNBC—Lowell Thomas, News
 WJZ—Ed and Peggen Fitzgerald
 WOR—Sport
 WCB—Robert Trout, News
 7:00-WNBC—Supper Club Variety

WOR—Fulton Lewis Jr., Comments
 WJZ—Headline Edition
 • WCB—Mystery of the Week
 WQXR—News; Celebrity Hall
 7:15-WNBC—News of the World
 WOR—The Answer Man
 WJZ—Elmer Davis, News
 WCB—Jack Smith Show
 7:30-WOR—Arthur Hale
 • WNBC—Hollywood Theatre
 WJZ—Boston Blackie—Play
 WCB—American Melody Hour
 WQXR—Record Rarities
 7:45-WOR—Sports—Bill Brandt
 8:00-WJZ—Lum n' Abner
 WNBC—Rudy Vallee Show
 • WOR—Scotland Yard—Play, With Basil Rathbone
 WJZ—Lum n' Abner
 WCB—Big Town—Sketch
 WQXR—News; Symphony Hall
 8:15-WJZ—Skip Farrell Show
 8:30-WNBC—A Date With Judy—Comedy
 WOR—The Falcon—Sketch
 • WJZ—Boston Symphony Orchestra;

Leonard Bernstein Conductor
 WCB—Mel Blanc Show
 9:00-WNBC—Amos 'n' Andy
 WOR—Gabriel Heatter
 WCB—Vox Pop Show
 WQXR—News; Concert Hall
 9:15-WOR—Real Stories
 9:30-WNBC—Fibber McGee and Molly
 WOR—American Forum—Should We Further Restrict Immigration?
 WJZ—Rex Maupin Show
 WCB—Arthur Godfrey Show
 • WQXR—Edison Anniversary Program
 10:00-WJZ—Hank D'Amico Band
 • WNBC—Bob Hope Show
 • WCB—One World Flight, Norman Corwin, Narrator
 WQXR—News; Recorded Album
 10:15-WOR—Upton Close
 10:30-WOR—The Symphonette
 • WNBC—Red Skelton Show
 WJZ—Hoosier Hop
 WCB—Sen. Taft
 WQXR—Just Music
 10:45-WJZ—Earl Godwin, News
 11:00-WNBC—WOR—News; Music
 WJZ—Symphonic Hour
 11:30-WNBC—Your United Nations
 WCB—Rochester Civic Orchestra
 12:00-WNBC, WCB—News; Music
 WOR, WJZ—News; Music
 WQXR—News; Records

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 9:55—News Summary.
 10:00—"City Fun With Children." Becky Reyher.
 10:15—Musical Comedy Memories.
 10:45—Health Department.
 10:55—News Summary.
 11:00—Organ Odes.
 11:30—B. B. C. Radio Newsreel.
 11:45—"Artificial Substitutes for Missing Teeth." Dr. Martin M. Grunberg of the Oral Hygiene Committee of Greater New York.
 11:55—News Summary.
 12:00—Midday Symphony.
 12:55—News Summary.
 1:00—Missing Persons Alarm.
 1:05—City News.
 1:15—Town Hall Club Forum. John J. Floherly—Author of "Inside the FBI."
 1:45—"Closed Shop—Should It Be Outlawed?" Subject of N. Y. U.'s "Economics of Peace." Speakers: With faculty. Chairman: Prof. A. Anton Friedrich.
 2:00—Official Weather Report.
 2:05—Symphonic Matinee.

3:30—Harlem Hospitality Club.
 4:00—Four Strings at Four.
 4:55—News Summary.
 5:00—Music for Young People. Records for Young Folks.
 5:30—Songs at Eventide. Frieda Cluff, Soprano.
 5:45—United Parents Association Series.
 5:55—News Summary.
 6:00—Folksinger. Nina Gorina.
 6:15—Stylings in Jazz. Al Anderson.
 6:45—Official U. S. Weather Report.
 6:55—News Summary.
 7:00—Masterwork Hour. Music of Antonin Dvorak.
 7:55—News Summary.
 8:00—Musical Caravan with Eve.
 8:30—Queens College Forum. "Poets Today" with Prof. Geo. L. Parks and Dr. Ernest Jones of the English Dept., plus Prof. Jacques Le Clercq, Dept. of Romance Languages. Moderator, Herbert Schuller.
 9:00—Music for the Connoisseur. David Randolph, Commentator.
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State, as equally subversive. Anyone familiar with the Lillenthal-Acheson plan knows very well it provides for exclusive monopoly of atomic "secrets" by the U. S., with the continued manufacture of bombs, until other nations have opened wide their doors for inspection by U. S.-dominated teams. For Acheson and Lillenthal to be attacked as pro-Soviet because of this plan is a farce, but not funny. In Washington last week, it seemed that only a single Communist, one Gerhart Eisler of Germany, was under attack. But thanks to Martin and Bridges, the facts are clear for all to see. Progressives, liberals, New Dealers, even conservatives who cherish world peace, are on the blacklist of GOP. The need for unity of American people to defeat this drive should be ap-

Thru the Years With Negro Ringmen

By BILL MARDO

(Continued from Sunday—the history of famed Negro ringmen.)

BEFORE FINISHING up on the great Negro scrappers of yesteryear, let's pause a second and pay tribute to four heavyweights who really left an indelible mark on the fight game. The color line which Jack Johnson wasn't to bust for some years later, prevented Sam Langford, Joe Jeanette, Sam McVey and Harry Wills from basking in the sunlight which so rightfully should have been theirs.

The result being that these superb heavies had to fight each other time and time again to earn a living—and truth is their battles were some of the most memorable in all ring history. Of the lot, Sam Langford was probably the best. Those who go way back to the turn of the century insist that the heavyweight hasn't been yet born who could've taken Sam at his peak. Be that as it may, old Sam Langford, blind and almost penniless, today sits out his remaining years in a dingy Harlem flat singing the praises of the man he rates the best ever—Joe Louis. To give you an idea of how it went in those days for topnotch Negro heavyweights—Joe Jeanette fought ten times with Langford, six with Jack Johnson and other bouts with McVey and Harry Wills. And Harry Wills, in turn, met Langford 14 times. Wills, a little younger than the rest, hung around in the heavy ranks long enough to be shooed out of a title match with Jack Dempsey.

AND NOW let's move along to the 1920's and modern times in the squared circle. Will anyone ever forget Kid Chocolate—the only and only “Keed”—the lithe, slippery customer who copped the featherweight title in 1928 in an elimination tourney conducted by the New York Boxing Commission? He then moved on to the lightweight ranks and rapidly rose to the top. Terrifically popular with the fans, he had about everything a great ringman needs—Speed, skill, a good sock and a fighting heart.

AL BROWN was another Negro topnotcher who fought during Kid Chocolate's time. Al won the bantam title in 1929 when he outpointed Vidal Gregorio in New York City. Several years later Al went abroad and defeated the French champion Haut in 1933. Brown's bantam crown was declared vacant in 1935 when he failed to return from overseas for a defense of his laurels.

Yes, the ranks of ringdom was really loaded with great Negro fighters in the 1920's, what with Kid Chocolate, Al Brown, John Henry Lewis, Tiger Flowers and Battling Siki (the latter two whom we mentioned in detail Sunday).

But those 20's were nothing compared to what happened in the next decade when two gents named Louis and Armstrong entered the scene.

HAMMERING HANK ARMSTRONG had to be seen to be believed. He looked like a light-heavy through his shoulders, a featherweight in his waist, and a lightweight in the legs. He fought like all three divisions combined.

Born in St. Louis in the year 1912, Armstrong spent his early youth knocking about, trying to pick up pieces of schooling as he went along, always dreaming of becoming a doctor or maybe a writer. How he wound up fighting isn't a new story in the prize ring.

Armstrong began to be heard from widely in 1937, when his windmill style and ceaseless two-fisted attack brought him 26 knockout wins and the never-to-be-forgotten label of “Hammering Hank.” It was the following year, 1938, when Henry Armstrong set

a precedent in boxing that will probably be never equalled. In October, 1937 he annexed Petey Sarron's featherweight crown—and before another 12 months had passed. Homocide Hank had taken Barney Ross' welter title and Lou Ambers' lightweight bauble.

But Henry Armstrong was more than the first three-title champ in boxing history. He was more than a man who defended his titles against all comers. He was more than a great fisticuffer who finally went down, to bloody, blinding defeat at the cutting hands of Fritz Zivic to mark the end of his peak days in 1941. Henry Armstrong was and is, a militant class-conscious person who is dedicated to the fight for Negro equality and democracy everywhere. No one will ever forget his touching poem penned the day before he fought Barney Ross—a poem musing the ironic fact that a Jew and a Negro were to meet for the world's championship—two men who come from the two most oppressed peoples in the world.

JOE LOUIS has had more words written about him than any other prizefighter. At the age of 33, he still reigns as the greatest heavyweight champion in history after 10 years of defending his title more often than any other previous champ and more often than many combinations of past heavy kings.

But he'll be remembered for more than the mere numbers of times he met all comers.

There may never be another heavyweight like him.

Today there are five Negro world's champions in the ring. Joe Louis in the heavy division, the incomparable Ray Robinson topping the welters; Bob Montgomery is the recognized lightweight king, although the NBA version belongs to another Negro, Ike Williams; and the latest Negro champ is young Harold Dade who recently won the bantamweight crown from Manuel Ortiz.

There are other Negro headlines too. Former welter king Beau Jack; a lad named Billy Fox who has won all of his 43 professional fights by kayoes and three weeks hence meets Gus Lesnevich for the light-heavy title, the crowd-pleasing Willie Joyce; the ranking heavyweight Elmer Ray and Jersey Joe Walcott; a newcomer fighting in Chicago, name of Johnny Bratton who they say is a terrific welter; and Sandy Saddler, a beautiful boxer-puncher who is rolling right through the featherweight ranks toward Willie Pep's title. And so many others, Jimmy Bivins, Ezzard Charles, Gene Burton, the much feared and much avoided Charley Burley, etc., etc....

Yes, Negro scrappers have always played and continue to play leading roles in the professional prize ring. We imagine one Theodore Bilbo would have a hard time swallowing this sketchy review. His aching throat, no doubt.

Seems Hank Is Really Through

It looks as if Hank Greenberg's decision not to play ball with Pittsburgh is permanent and the boy's great career is over. Hank wrestled for some time with the problem of starting over in new surroundings at the age of 36 after the shabby deal he got at Detroit, and finally decided against play-



HENRY ARMSTRONG, one of the all-time boxing greats, mentioned in the Negro History Week sports review on this page.

The 'Daily' Roundup

Johnny Kling Dies; Holman on City 'Best'

By Lester Rodney

JOHNNY KLING, whom we had just mentioned last week in our review of great Jewish-American athletes, died Jan. 31 on his farm near Kansas City, we discovered from

Sporting News, the baseball weekly.

That paper's biography of the great all-time catching star of the Tinker-Evers-Chance teams adds some interesting notes to his career. For instance, he was one of the few big league stars to hold out and mean it. The Cubs won the pennant in '06, '07 and '08. When Kling asked a raise over his \$7,000 salary, he was offered only a couple of hundred raise. He held out—all season—and the Cubs finished second.

P.O. Clerks Win 2d Straight

BROOKLYN POSTOFFICE won its second in a row Saturday night at Seward Park, beating Fur Joint Council “B” 48-37. (The result was squeezed out of our shortened paper yesterday).

Walter Johnson and Bill Holmes led the winners with some nice basketball and 12 and 11 points respectively. For the losers, Jerry Seltzer, a newly added youngster, showed all kinds of promise as he tallied 11 points and sparkled on the floor.

Bloomington's picked a tough one for its debut last night, meeting unbeaten 125. Results tomorrow. Next game Thursday night. Schedule reveals that the two unbeaten leaders, 125 and Fur Joint Board, are due to clash in the season's climax March 29. However the Air TWU team, which has lost one but at full strength is a classy, 6-2 average outfit, may yet dump one of the leaders, and the strengthened Fur JC A team is apt to beat anyone from here on in.

Dodgers Sign 4 More

The Dodgers announced four more signings yesterday—big Hugh Casey, still a good relief man, Hal Gregg, young speedballer who was just showing flashes of his '45 form toward the end of an off-season in which he was bothered by a sore arm, Gil Hodges and Wayne Osborne, rookie catcher and pitcher respectively.

ing any more. A family man of recent vintage, home life was part of the decision. Both Greenberg and Pittsburgh prey McKinney emphasized that money was no barrier to Hank donning a Pirate uniform. In fact Hank says he was offered more than he ever got with Detroit.

Will Ray Become New Commish Goat?

Boxing fans, angry over Rocky Graziano's suspension, are now worried about what Ray Robinson may face Friday. The great welter champ will be quizzed by Commis-

sioner Eddie Eagan concerning Ray's recent statement to the New York Post that he'd been approached several times in the past by those characters who try to fix fights and fighters.

On each occasion, (most of them happened on the road,) Ray just sent the gamblers skeddaddling.

And now the big question before the house is: Will Eagan also try to get Ray on Rule 64 of the State Athletic Commission code—which makes failure to report a bribe punishable by fine, suspension or both?

It's a funny thing about that now famous rule. Until the DA's office made such a big thing out of the Graziano affair, most of the fighters never heard of Rule 64. Or ever saw a copy of the Boxing Commission's rule book.

If Col. Eagan and the other authorities interested themselves more in really getting at the gamblers and undercover characters who infest the game, than in punishing athletes who haven't been fixed, maybe the current “cleanup” would be worth the amount of newspaper space it's getting these days.

CHARLEY FUSARI really caught on with the fans when he ko'd Chuck Taylor some time ago, and that's why a huge turnout is expected to watch his big test against Tippy Larkin. The Friday fight has really caught on, as any boxer-puncher shindig does. Except in this case, the boxer, Tippy Larkin, is a neat puncher in his own right. Whether he'll trade with the youngster and expose his brittle jaw to those Fusari brickbustars, is something else again.

New Yorkers are anxious to get a gander at Gene Burton, the kid who recently outpointed NBA lightweight champ Ike Williams. Are you listenin', 20th Century?

JOE LOUIS went four rounds with his sparmate in a San Salvador exhibition on the champ's current tour of South America. The big guy goes next in Panama.

ROCKY GRAZIANO has nothing to fear from the Pennsylvania Athletic Commission, according to chairman Leon Rains... who also opined that New York's Col. Eagan was way too harsh with the boxer. The Rock is being tempted with a Miami offer to fight Chuck Taylor

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BOOKS — FILMS — THE ARTS

Corwin Scores With Tense 'Warsaw Ghetto' Closeup

It was a month ago that one world flight roared through the ether to a waiting and eager radio audience. Four broadcasts later we return to comment again, on how Corwin states the recorded facts of his 37,000 mile journal.

Technically the program shows sharp improvements. The musical continuity has grown in quality, losing the punctuating effect of previous broadcasts and helping to contribute a sharper mood quality as a result. Where the music was used as narrative background the effect was dramatic, without removing any of the narrative's own sense of drama. Corwin himself speaks easily and well avoiding the usual narrator "in love with one's own words" tendency.

TENSE STYLE

In our initial comment, we stated our excitement concerning the terse style that avoided the usual bravado and daring of the expected Corwin presentation. That same style exists and still imparts a sense of participation in tense actuality. The fourth broadcast dealt with two sharply contrasting worlds. The neutral — unwar-touched Sweden that seemed by description rather happy with its state of things, and Warsaw, a land of ruins . . . and not so happy with the status quo.

Technically the recordings seemed to me to be of much higher quality than in the past, as a result of which one felt a greater sense of contact with the over-seas voices. The majority of Swedish speakers indicated a desire for peace and one world, altho' one youngster had decided that he was distrustful of the Soviet. A Baroness, who also was a reporter in speaking for the youth of her knowledge, indicated a different tangent, seeing the Soviet as a necessary party to world unity . . . calling upon the world to cast aside distrust if we are to gain trust.

VOICE OF WARSAW

Warsaw was a different world. Different as Corwin viewed it from the air . . . different as he stepped down on the shattered earth on July 4. His interviews were different too. No voices delighted with plentiful food or the wherewithal of life. People here seemed to have sharp voices and sharp ideas. A worker who believed human power superior to the atom bomb; a mechanic who said it would be wise to define this thing called democracy, and a third who spoke for a one world, with nations having clearly defined aspirations and cultures.

And then he spoke of the Warsaw Ghetto. Perhaps nothing on the programs reached quite the sharpness and dramatic intensity of this closing vignette that brought a closeup portrait of the fighting Jews of Warsaw.

One could feel that intensity in Corwin's voice as he described his walk through the ghetto where nothing but ashes and rubble and a great silence lay on him. A land where the thousands of rebelling Jews were mercilessly massacred by the fascists. The vignette sank in deeply as he read the words of the simple memorial erected in memory of these heroic people. The words as I recall them said:

"In memory of those Jews who died . . . in honor of the Jewish people who died for Poland and the world."

It sank deeply as Corwin spoke about what had taken place a day before his visit to the ghetto.

"There are fascists still with us . . ." and here he echoed the sentiments of one of Poland's leaders . . . "there are fascists still with us . . . the day before, they deliberately ambushed and massacred 41 Jewish men, women and children in the town of Kielce."

ST CBS SHOW

The program ended. And one of One World . . . and the cleansing and purifying that one to save that world.



NORMAN CORWIN
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—G. R.

'Bedelia' Falls Short

Margaret Lockwood's recent unsatisfying role as the blood-thirsty highway woman of *Wicked Lady* seems to have mistakenly encouraged the British film studios to cast her in a similar role in *Bedelia*, which just opened at the Victoria Theatre. This time she is seen as a modern female bluebeard who murders three of her four husbands for their life insurance, and gets her just deserts in the end.

It is difficult to report with any accuracy just what *Bedelia* is trying to say, despite the voice at the end which tries to draw a moral for the audience. As a study of a murderess it offers little reason for her acts, outside of the money incentive which, by any good story standards, needs more explanation. As a mystery it falls far short too for, lacking in suspense and with a spotty scrip and poor direction, the audience can guess the ending long before it comes. Or, if *Bedelia* was intended as a vehicle to enhance Margaret Lockwood's reputation as an actress, it would have done her much more good to have been kept on a shelf. Miss Lockwood turns in less than a routine performance, getting little help from her dress designer and makeup artist.

Ian Hunter does as well as he can in the role of the adoring and lucky fourth husband. Barry Barnes, not a newcomer to British films, gives as good a performance as can be expected as the painter who is actually an insurance detective. The supporting cast are as undistinguished as the principals.

—A. D.

CIO Radio Show Is Oasis On Business-Owned Air

By Miriam Kolkin
(Federated Press)

"Labor—USA! This Saturday, the CIO—USA!" That introduction each week is the signal for millions of Americans to gather around the radio and tune in to 15 minutes of lively drama, music and unsuppressed facts.

The program, now going into its third year on time donated by the American Broadcasting Co. network, is the only coast-to-coast show which gives organized labor the opportunity to broadcast its views on the issues of the day, in its own way and completely uncensored. It is the only show on the business-dominated air that gives labor a chance to speak its mind. Originating from New York at 6:45 p. m. (EST) each Saturday, the series runs for an entire year, with the CIO taking the first 26 weeks and the AFL the second half.

The first four shows in the 1947 series hit away at the wage-price angle, the fifth switched to anti-labor legislation and the sixth, Feb. 8, rent control. Extremely flexible in form, the shows have presented a Christmas parable about Tiny Tim and Mr. Gotrocks, flint hearted department store owner; satirized Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers promises for a bet-



TOM GLAZER, Folksinger

ter tomorrow; interviewed CIO families right in their homes and presented brief talks by Dr. Robert Nathan, author of the famous CIO wage-price report, and CIO leaders.

Almost a standing feature on each program are the twangy folk songs of Tom Glazer, who sings not of broken heartstrings, but of broken pursestrings and anti-labor laws. Typical of the songs which Glazer composes especially for the CIO program is the ditty:

I am an American working man and I'll tell you what I want

I ain't got no fancy words so I really must be blunt.

I want to make a living wage with prices that I can pay

Cause I'm an American working man and that's the American way.

My boss is a very fine gentleman and I love him like a brother

He smiles once a year at Christmas time and is very good to his Mother,

But my family can't make ends meet on my measly take-home pay.

I am an American working man and that's not the American way.

The show also prides itself on its 12-man band, AFL of course, which is believed to be the only one in radio that includes both

women and Negroes. Conductor and composer of the background music is Henry Brant. AFL actors and well-known radio announcer Walter Vaughn round out the cast.

Writer-producer team of the show are Peter and Jane Lyon. Considered one of the ablest writers in radio, Lyon has scripted such shows as the March of Time, Cavalcade of America and the Radio Reader's Digest. He has given up all his commercial radio assignments, however, to devote most of his time to the CIO program, which he has written since it first went on the air in 1945, and to his duties as a vice president of the Radio Writers Guild.

It's an open joke in radio circles that among the most faithful listeners to Labor-USA are the people who put on the 15-minute NAM show, which comes on the ABC network right after the CIO. All talk, rehearsing stops as the CIO program is piped into the NAM studio in Radio City.

As a result, the NAM writers have copied some of the CIO techniques and have even gotten themselves a singer who they fondly believe sounds folksy too. But radio experts put the CIO program ahead of the NAM's in showmanship. A review in Variety, top trade paper, found the NAM show had a stuffy quality and lacked warmth. Of an NAM skit, Variety said: "Somehow the piece, though competently acted by pros, didn't come off. It was not a slice of life but a vignette written for actors."

Variety saved its best praise for the CIO show: "Down-to-earth . . . close to the people for whom it speaks . . . credible . . . sure-fire!"

Early Concert Music: Renaissance to Bach

A program of early concert music, entitled "From the Renaissance to Bach," will be given at the Brooklyn Academy of Music on Tuesday evening, Feb. 11, at 8:30 o'clock. The participating artists will be Suzanne Bloch, lutanist and singer to the lute, and Mme. Edith Weissmann, harpsichordist. The program will span more than two centuries of music, ranging from nearly sixteenth century to J. S. Bach.

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Attempt to Blame CIO Guild For Paper's Sale Fizzles

By Fred Vast

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Attempts by the House Labor Committee to pin the blame on CIO Newspaper Guild strikers for the closing and sale of publisher David Stern's papers fizzled out today. Guild and CIO officials maintained the fault lies at Stern's feet in the face of questioning by committee members. Stern is scheduled to appear on the stand tomorrow.

Despite numerous attempts to negotiate new contracts on the Philadelphia Record and the Camden Courier-Post, Stern refused to participate in genuine collective bargaining, the union officials testified.

Stern repeatedly rejected efforts of impartial citizens to mediate differences with the Guild, said Philadelphia CIO Council President Michael Harris, who is also district director of the CIO United Steel Workers.

Harris suggested the reason for Stern's attitude could be found in the publisher's persecution complex, which the CIO leader described as a neurosis that people were plotting against him. Harris said he knows Stern personally.

STERN'S CONTRACT

Sam Eubanks, executive vice-president of the American Newspaper Guild, pointed to Stern's contract to buy newsprint at \$85 per ton as a possible reason for the sale of the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

Newsprint now costs \$200 a ton, he said, and such a contract is very valuable today.

"I submit that the best evidence at hand shows Mr. Stern and his associates were motivated only by a desire for financial gain," Eubanks contended.

"It is not an unreasonable conclusion that the strike of his employees was provoked deliberately to serve as a shabby excuse for Mr. Stern to divest himself of his responsibility to the community."

After two hours of testimony and questioning by committee members, Rep. John Wood (D-Ga) asked:

"What is the American Newspaper Guild? Is it a corporation?" Committee chairman Fred Hartley (R-NJ) seemed bent on finding a plot against President Milton Murray.

"Didn't the Guild (in Philadelphia) tell Mr. Murray to mind his own business when he offered to negotiate for them?" He asked.

Harris replied he didn't know. Some of the congressmen tried to find a red herring without success.

UE Revokes Charter Of Bridgeport Local

Following recent action of local union officers in expelling 27 members and stewards of the General Electric Co. local in Bridgeport, Conn., the executive board of the CIO United Electrical, Radio and

Machine Workers yesterday revoked the local's charter. The 27 were expelled on the grounds of being "Communists and fellow-travelers."

At the same time, the board took steps to "work with the membership of the General Electric plant to reconstruct and reorganize the local union apparatus in order to most effectively administer the affairs of the local union, settle grievances and organize the unorganized."

In a statement announcing its action, the Board said, "The international union takes this action to protect the contract rights and the jobs of the membership of the local union against a small group of officers whose arbitrary action is illegal under our international constitution."

POLITICAL BELIEFS

The expulsions by the local union officers were made because of the alleged political beliefs of the members. Both the UE International and local union constitutions, according to the UE International Office, contain provisions which state:

"We form an organization which unites all workers in our industry on an industrial basis, and rank and file control, regardless of craft, age, sex, nationality, race, creed or political beliefs. . . ."

The International Union stated that included among those members "arbitrarily expelled by the Local Union officers without a hearing or the opportunity to speak were war veterans, duly-elected shop stewards, the first president of the local union and a substantial number of present and former union officers."

"Furthermore," the International union states, "those expelled by the group controlling local union affairs

are among the most active and loyal members of the union—men and women who long have been active in improving the wages and conditions of the workers."

According to the UE, petitions received from members of the Local Union, "representing a substantial portion of the membership," have called upon the UE International Office to take action in the case.

Smelter Union to Ask 25c Hourly Raise

WATERBURY, Conn., Feb. 10.—A 25 cent hourly wage increase was announced today as the national wage demand to be made on the non-ferrous metals industry by the CIO International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers.

In addition to the general wage increase, the union will seek employer contribution, amounting to four percent of gross payroll, to a union-sponsored group health and insurance program adopted by the organization's Cleveland convention last September.

Yesterday's vote of the Ansonia Brass Workers Local 445 against withdrawing from the International Union was characterized by union spokesmen as "another significant defeat for union-busting and a victory for the rank and file of the union." Of particular significance in the defeat of the secession proposal, the union representatives said, is the fact that the Ansonia local is the home local of John Man-kowski, former board member of the union and one of the leaders in the secession move. The Ansonia local is also the union to which three of the six staff members discharged for secession activities belonged.

The vote was 299 against withdrawal, 294 in favor, with 11 voided ballots.

In Bridgeport, more than 450 members of Local 320 elected a temporary chairman and made plans for the election of officers to replace those who have affiliated with the "Independent" Provisional Metalworkers Council.

resist so damaging a program."

During the hearing, Mayor O'Dwyer denounced Gen. Charles B. Gross, Board of Transportation chairman, who issued a weekend statement urging a 10-cent fare. The Mayor challenged Gross to appear before the Board of Estimate and back up his figures.

Chiang Still Holds U.S.-Donated Centers

SHANGHAI, (By Mail). — The Chiang Kai-shek government is still holding onto the CIO and AFL-donated labor centers it seized from the Chinese Association of Labor last summer. It had replied to protests from the American Labor organizations by saying the union property had been returned.

Gang Up on 5c Fare

(Continued from Page 3)

and when commercial properties had increased their rents in many instances more than 50 percent."

AFL BACKS FIVE-CENT FARE

Speaking for the AFL Central Trades and Labor Council as its special counsel, Prof. Walter Gellhorn of Columbia University charged that, if transit fares are increased, the burden of supporting the subway service will "be borne almost fully by those who can least afford to do so, while the business interests which directly profit from the service will be entirely excused from contributing to its maintenance."

He called the 10-cent fare a rent boost and said the Central Trades Council, speaking for 750,000 AFL members in New York, "steadfastly

Attorney-General Vows to Hold Eisler

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Attorney General Tom C. Clark told the House Un-American Activities Committee tonight that the Justice Department will not permit Gerhart Eisler to leave the United States until the case against him has been "cleared up."



by BARNARD RUBIN

UNION airline pilots are so secretly worried about conditions of their planes that they have "grounded" the president of their union, David L. Behncke until further notice. Members of the Airline Pilots Association (AFL) have warned that for his own protection, they will not take responsibility for flying him in any plane in the country.

If any pilot sees him boarding a plane, he is to refuse to fly him. . . .

TOWN TALK

The major Hollywood studios have sunk to a new low getting on their knees to the Un-American Committee. They plan to politically screen writers before signing contracts or picking up options. The Screen Writers Guild is fighting. . . .

Calvin Coolidge has been characterized by many as a "shrewd Yankee." Yet ten years after his death, his will is still under litigation in the civil courts. Neither "clear nor sound." . . .

The Johnston Office which is working overtime blue-penciling British films (low gowns, etc.) is now alarmed at the fierce British attacks on Hollywood censorship. As a result, Eric Johnston has sent a special public relations counsel to England. . . .

Hot Springs, Ark., is preparing to swipe divorce headlines from Reno with their three-day residence rule. . . .

Milton Berle plunging heavier than ever on the ponies. . . .

Benny Goodman negotiating for a tour of Russia and appearances with the Moscow Symphony. . . .

Norman Granz, producer of Jazz at the Philharmonic, is initiating a program to mobilize band leaders in a drive against racial discrimination. Lined up with him, to date, are Artie Shaw, Tommy Dorsey, Charlie Barnet, Count Basie, the King Cole Trio, Buddy Rich, Coleman Hawkins and others. . . .

If Joseph Cotten's Hollywood commitments will permit, he will star in the London version of *The Voice of the Turtle*. . . .

Ferry Como is now in the music publishing business. Recently purchased a big chunk of stock in Oxford Music, Inc. . . .

Irving Berlin's "Blue Skies" is being used in the British national savings campaign. Tune used with the words "Save now for Blue Skies ahead." . . .

Janis Paige wants to do a Broadway musical in the fall with Dennis Morgan and Jack Carson. Angling for studio okay. . . .

B. Shackman & Co., fashionable toy shop (34th and Madison) is selling toys made in Germany. Sign in window reads "B. Shackman & Co. presents, in cooperation with the U. S. Government, new toys from the American Zone in Germany." For sale are metal mechanical and electrical toys, miniature automobiles complete with gear shifts, and telegraph sets. . . .

Chester Berger is the president of the new CIO Television Union—Radio Guild Local 50 of the United Office and Professional Workers. . . .

The owners of Eddie Condon's, noted Village spot for jazz devotees, are working hard to establish their place as an eatery—too. . . .

Henri Cartier-Bresson—he made *Return to Life*, that moving film on the Spanish Loyalists' medico services—is going over big at the Museum of Modern Art with a one-man photography exhibit. . . .

WHAT'S HOLDING THINGS UP?

With all the talk in UN about Spain and the wide interest in the Chinese Communists—why aren't films like *Heart of Spain*, *Return to Life* and *China Strikes Back* being widely exhibited? *China Strikes Back*, for example, is the only film we know on the Chinese Communists. . . .

NEWSPAPER (AND LITERARY) TALK

Sinclair Lewis' new book tells the story of a Southern business man who discovers he has Negro blood in his veins. Random House editor Harry A. Maule claims it's "the most sensational Sinclair Lewis since *It Can't Happen Here*." . . .

Erskine Caldwell has assumed the co-chairmanship of Contemporary Writers—progressive authors' group. . . .

Cab Calloway is doing his autobiography for Hermitage Press. It'll probably be out in the fall and is called *Hi-De-Ho Man*. . . .

Walter Winchell's sponsor *Jergen's Lotion*, is being boycotted by virtually every AFL body on the West Coast. *Teamsters' Local 598* of the Western Conference of Teamsters has been on strike against the *Andrew Jergen's Company* since February 1946. The company refused to abide by NLRB and National War Labor Board wage increase orders, and since the walkout has been employing scabs.

Not a peep out of Hearst's little pet, though. Money, it seems, talks even louder than he does. . . .

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GOP LEGISLATOR ASKS CITY TRANSIT QUIZ

By Max Gordon

ALBANY, Feb. 10.—In a move to take the five-cent fare issue out of the hands of the city administration, Sen. Frederic R. Hammer, Queens Republican, introduced a resolution tonight for a legislative investigation into the "chaotic" financial transit situation.

Sen. Hammer acted for the Queens Republican organization, the leadership of which is close to realty interests in New York City.

"The chaotic financial condition of the system is increasing the burden upon real estate, which if continued, will have a serious effect on the real estate market," he said.

The resolution, which would set up a nine-man legislative committee, is obviously slanted against keeping the five-cent fare.

The resolution also calls attention to the fact that the city wants more money from the state and suggests that the investigation take place before any is granted.

GOP STRATEGY

Attack on the five-cent fare is the usual GOP strategy for warding off demands of the city for more state aid for general purposes.

It is generally believed here that Mayor O'Dwyer set the public hearing on the fare for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday as a prelude to the state budget hearing here on Thursday.

A powerful demonstration for the five-cent fare will go far toward countering this GOP argument for denying more aid, it is believed. At least, it may inhibit legislative leaders and the Governor for advocating any change in the cost of a subway ride.

One other state angle is the referendum issue. The law now calls for a referendum on a higher subway toll only if the City Council orders one. The two ALP legislators, Sen. Kenneth Sherbell and Assemblyman Samuel Kaplan, have in to require such a referendum an increased fare effect.